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MODEL 30

AUTO - LOADING

.22 CAL. RIFLE

WITH OR WITHOUT

4 POWER TELESCOPE

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR OPERATION AND CARE

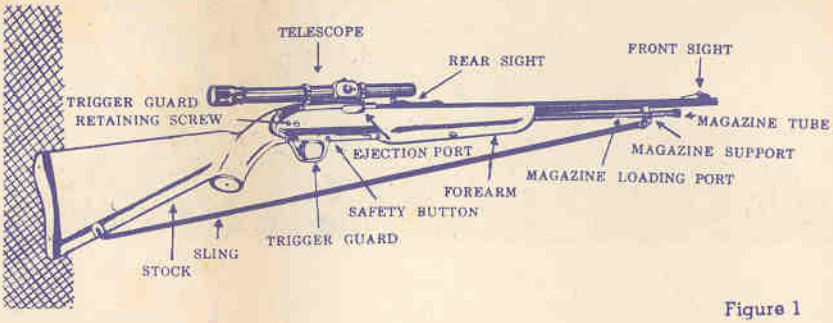


Figure 1

IMPORTANT: Before firing this gun, be sure to clean barrel thoroughly of all grease or of any obstruction.

CLEANING AND LUBRICATING: The performance of any automatic rifle depends upon how clean it is kept. Exclusive use of Sears' ammunition will keep powder fouling to a minimum but, because an automatic rifle depends on the powder gases for the repeating action, it must be kept clean to function efficiently. We recommend that your gun be thoroughly cleaned after firing 200 to 250 rounds for continued top performance.

In cleaning, be sure to use the proper size rod, brushes and patches, those especially dimensioned for .22 caliber rifles.

Disassemble the gun, following complete instructions contained in this instruction sheet, into the three basic parts. (a) stock, receiver and barrel group, (b) trigger assembly, and (c) breech bolt assembly.

Using a toothbrush soaked in solvent, clean trigger assembly, getting powder fouling out of springs, magazine throat, etc. In same manner clean bolt, getting fouling out of extractor, off of bolt face and firing pin, and out of machined cuts in bolt. Push a patch, moistened with a good solvent through the barrel from the muzzle end. Push a brass brush, soaked in solvent through this entire length of the bore several times, using long even strokes. Push clean patches through the entire length of the bore in the same manner until the last patch comes out unsoiled. Push lightly oiled patch through the entire length of the bore. Wipe both trigger assembly and bolt dry, oil lightly and replace, following instructions on this sheet for assembly.

Using a lightly oiled rag, rub the entire outside of the rifle. Be careful to rub off any fingerprints. Acid from perspiration of the hands will quickly rust a gun unless neutralized by oil.

Sears, Roebuck and Company carries a complete line of J. C. Higgins cleaning equipment, all at popular money-saving prices.

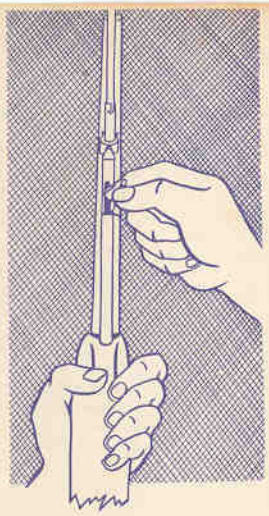
TO MAKE GUN SAFE: Safety is located in trigger guard bow forward of trigger. With hammer cocked, push safety from left to right until red band is covered. This movement locks trigger, and gun cannot be fired. Always lock the trigger when carrying a loaded gun.

TO RELEASE SAFETY: Push safety from right to left, exposing red band, and gun is ready to fire.

TO LOAD MAGAZINE: With safety on, turn knurled knob on inner magazine tube, pull tube out and insert cartridges into cartridge opening. (See figure 2.) continuing the operation until last cartridge is visible. Grasping knurled portion of inside magazine tube, press down with rotating action until inside magazine tube is fully home and located in supporting notch.

TO LOAD BARREL: Retract action fully to the rear and allow to close. Push safety so that the red band appears, and gun is now ready to fire.

TO REMOVE CARTRIDGES; WITHOUT FIRING: Remove inside magazine tube, and by pointing gun muzzle downward, all cartridges in the magazine tube will drop into the hand. With safety on, work action TWICE to remove cartridges from barrel chamber and from trigger guard assembly through the ejection port. Pull action bar handle back and examine barrel chamber to make sure gun is now empty of cartridges. Inside magazine tube may now be replaced.



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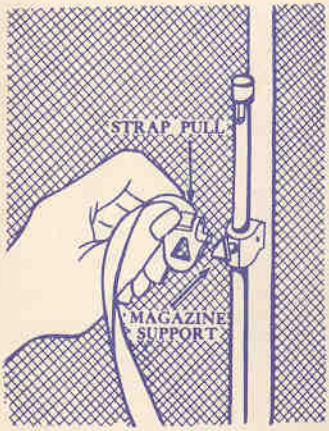


Figure 3

TO ENGAGE CARRYING SLING: Pull sling forward from butt stock, invert strap pull and (see figure 3.) slip over magazine support; sling will snap into position. Sling may be disengaged by reversing the process of assembly.

TO ASSEMBLE J. C. HIGGINS 4-X TELESCOPE SIGHT TO RIFLE: Engage mating slot on telescope mount with mating slot on receiver top with eye piece to the rear, slide forward against stop. Tighten scope mounting screw and gun is ready to fire. (See figure 1.)

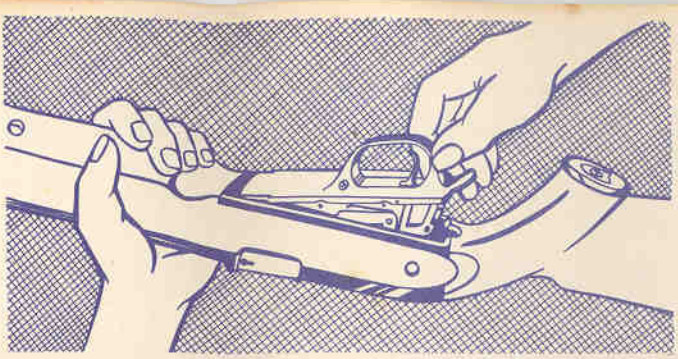


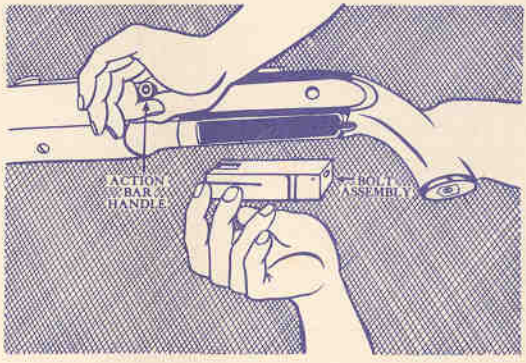
Figure 4

DISASSEMBLY

TO REMOVE TRIGGER ASSEMBLY: (Do only when necessary). Turn the gun upside down, remove trigger guard retaining screw. Grasp trigger guard and pull up and toward the butt stock. Trigger guard assembly will come free of the receiver as a unit. See figure 4.

BOLT: May be disassembled (see figure 5) by grasping retracting handle and pulling toward the rear, permitting the bolt assembly to drop into the hand. The gun is now completely disassembled for cleaning purposes.

FORE-ARM: May be disassembled by removing fore-arm retaining screw and sliding fore-arm from receiver.



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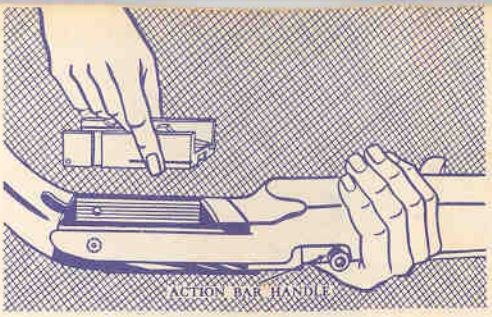
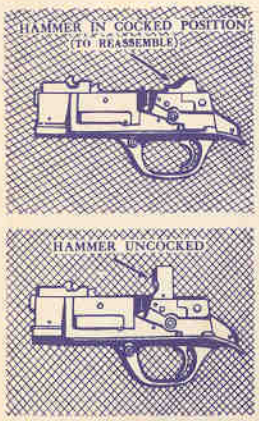


Figure 6

ASSEMBLY

BOLT ASSEMBLY: With gun upside down, drop bolt (as shown in figure 6.) into receiver, work retracting handle back and forth, breech bolt will drop into place, at top of receiver. Bolt is now assembled in receiver.

TRIGGER ASSEMBLY: Remove inside magazine tube. Pull retracting handle back half way, and making sure that hammer is in cocked position (see figure 7.), replace trigger assembly by inserting lug on front end of trigger assembly to mating slot inside forward end of receiver. Holding gun in upside down position (see figure 4.), press down and forward against rear portion of trigger guard until it is fully home and seated. If it does not immediately drop into position, work retracting handle short distance back and forward. Insert and tighten trigger insert retaining screw, work the action by pulling back on the action bar handle to make sure that bolt functions. The gun is now completely re-assembled.



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SPECIFICATIONS

Length of Pull	13¾ inches
Drop at Heel	2¼ inches
Drop at Comb	1½ inches
Barrel Length	23¼ inches
Over-All Length	41¾ inches
Weight of Gun	5 lbs. 8 oz.
Weight of Scope and Mount	8 oz.
Magazine Capacity	18 Long rifle
Front Sight	Ramp type with gold bead
Rear Sight	Rocky Mountain partridge type with serrated blade for elevating at 25 yard intervals.
Butt Stock & Fore-end	American black walnut.

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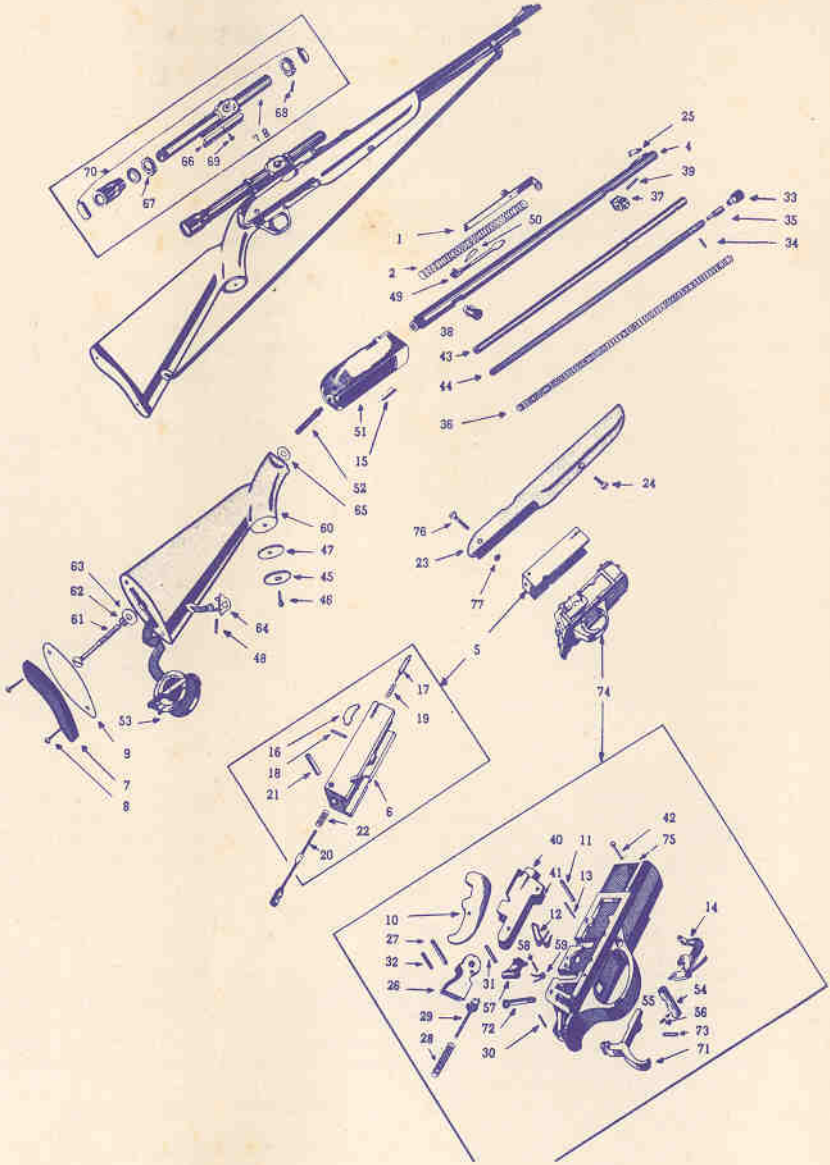
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LIST OF PARTS AND ASSEMBLIES FOR

J. C. HIGGINS MODEL 30.22 CALIBER AUTO-LOADING RIFLE

MODEL NUMBER 583.72

This is the Model Number of your Rifle. It will be found on the left side of barrel, just forward of receiver. Always mention this Model Number when communicating with us regarding the gun or when ordering parts.

HOW TO ORDER REPAIR PARTS

All parts listed herein may be ordered through any Sears retail or mail order store. In ordering parts by mail from the mail order store which serves the territory in which you live, always be sure to follow instructions below. Save this list—it is valuable.

WHEN ORDERING REPAIR PARTS AND/OR ASSEMBLIES

Please specify Model No., Reference No., Parts No. and Part Name. All parts identified with an asterisk (*) must be fitted to the gun by gunsmiths in the Sears mail order houses or by qualified gunsmiths.

Ref. No.	Part No.	PART NAME
1	300M	*Action Bar Assembly (Composed of: 300 Action Bar 302 Action Bar Handle)
2	304	*Action Bar Spring
4	454M	*Barrel and Ramp Assembly (Composed of: 454 Barrel 393 Front Sight Ramp)
5	306M	Bolt Assembly (Composed of: 306 Bolt 320 Firing Pin Spring 455 Firing Pin 379 Firing Pin Retaining Pin 318 Extractor Spring 317 Extractor Plunger 316 Extractor 432 Extractor Plunger Retaining Pin)
6	306	Bolt
7	344	Butt Plate
8	345	Butt Plate Screw
10	307	Cartridge Lifter
11	308	Cartridge Lifter Pin
12	309	Cartridge Lifter Spring
13	310	Cartridge Lifter Spring Retaining Pin
14	311M	*Disconnector Assembly (Composed of: 311 Disconnector 312 Disconnector Hinge Pin 313 Disconnector Pin 314 Disconnector Spring)
15	315	*Ejector
16	316	Extractor
17	317	Extractor Plunger
18	432	Extractor Plunger Retaining Pin
19	318	Extractor Spring
20	455	Firing Pin
21	379	Firing Pin Retaining Pin
22	320	Firing Pin Spring
23	397M	Forearm, Long; Assembly (Composed of: 397 Forearm, Long 399 Trigger Guard Retaining Screw Nut)
24	323	Forearm Retaining Screw
25	392	Front Sight
26	324	*Hammer
27	325	Hammer Pin

Ref. No.	Part No.	PART NAME
28	326	Hammer Spring
29	327	Hammer Spring Guide
30	328	Hammer Spring Pin
31	329	Hammer Stop Pin
32	330	Hammer Strut Pin
33	331	Magazine Cap
34	332	Magazine Cap Pin
35	333	Magazine Follower
36	336	Magazine Spring
37	337	*Magazine Support
38	335	*Magazine Support, Rear
39	338	Magazine Support Pin
40	425	Magazine Throat, Right Hand
41	426	Magazine Throat, Left Hand
42	381	Magazine Throat Retaining Pin
43	341	Magazine Tube
44	334	Magazine Tube, Inside
45	401	Pistol Grip Cap
46	403	Pistol Grip Cap Screw
47	402	Pistol Grip Cap Trim
48	409	Pull Gripper Pin
49	394M	Rear Sight Assembly (Composed of: 394 Rear Sight 396 Rear Sight Support)
50	395	Rear Sight Elevation
51	342	*Receiver
52	343	Receiver Tang
53	412M	Reel Assembly (Composed of: 412 Reel 415M Reel Frame Stud Assembly 413 Reel Spring 407M Strap Assembly 414 Reel Frame 416 Reel Frame Spacer 411 Reel Gripper Pin)
54	346	Safety Button
55	347	Safety Button Plunger
56	348	Safety Button Plunger Spring
57	428	*Sear
58	350	Sear Pin
59	351	Sear Spring
60	352	Stock
61	353	Stock Bolt
62	354	Stock Bolt Lock Washer
63	355	Stock Bolt Washer
64	405	Strap Pull
65	424	Stock Washer
78	436	Telescope, 4X
66	384	Telescope Base
67	386	Telescope Base Clamp Ring
68	387	Telescope Base Clamp Ring Screw
69	385	Telescope Base Lock Screw
70	434M	Telescope Eye Piece Cap Assembly (Composed of: 420 Telescope Eye Piece Cap 419 Telescope Front Dust Cap 434 Telescope Dust Cover Cord)
71	427M	Trigger & Trig. Ext. Assembly
72	359	Trigger Pin
73	360	Trigger Spring
74	358M	Trigger Guard Assembly (Composed of: 358 Trigger Guard 346 Safety Button 347 Safety Button Plunger 348 Safety Button Plunger Spring 427M Trigger & Trig. Ext. Assem. 360 Trigger Spring 359 Trigger Pin 428 Sear 350 Sear Pin 351 Sear Spring 329 Hammer Stop Pin 324M Hammer Assembly 325 Hammer Pin 327 Hammer Spring Guide 326 Hammer Spring 328 Hammer Spring Pin 309 Cartridge Lifter Spring 310 Cartridge Lifter Spring Retaining Pin 425 Magazine Throat, R.H. 426 Magazine Throat, L.H. 307 Cartridge Lifter 308 Cartridge Lifter Pin 381 Magazine Throat, Retaining Pin 311M Disconnector Assembly)
75	358	Trigger Guard
76	398	Trigger Guard Retaining Screw
77	399	Trigger Guard Retaining Screw Nut